



EI-news

IRTS supporting Amateur Radio



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IRTS News on EI2MOG

Dundalk Amateur Radio Society has announced that for the foreseeable future the IRTS news will be transmitted from **EI2MOG** on 145.2125 MHz, CTCSS tone 88.5Hz on Monday nights at 20.00. Essential maintenance is being carried out on the Dundalk 2m EI2CCR repeater.

St. Patrick's Day Award



Many amateurs celebrate St. Patrick's Day on air. This year marks the start of a new St. Patrick's day award which a group of Northern Ireland amateurs hope to organise annually on the 17th March from 12am to 12pm. To find out more please visit <http://stpatrickaward.webs.com>

Ham receives Lunar Rover

Beijing's Jade Rabbit (Yutu) lunar rover had been thought to be dead but its radio signal on 8462.078 MHz was received by radio amateur **Paul Marsh G7EYT/M0EYT** on 12th February, 2014. CNN mentioned that the amateur [@UHF Satcom](#) Twitter feed reported reception of the rover's signal adding that it had detected "pretty good signals" from the device. You can read the full story at [CNN News](#)

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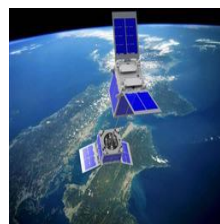
IOTA Convention



2014 is the 50th Anniversary of the IOTA Programme. The IOTA Convention will take place over the weekend of July 4th-6th

2014 at Beaumont House, Windsor. Bookings are now open at www.rsgb.org/iota50 where details of the programme and venue can also be found.

Japanese Ham Satellite Launch



Mitsubishi Heavy Industry Ltd & the Japan Aerospace Exploration Agency JAXA have announced the launch date 28th February (JST) and launch window 1st

through 31st March for its seven amateur radio satellites. The amateur radio satellites are [STARSII](#) [ShindaiSat](#) [TeikyoSat3](#) [KSAT2](#) [OPUSAT](#) [ARTSAT:INVADER](#) [ITF-1](#)

International Museums Weekend

The *International Museums Weekend* will take place on the two weekends of the 14th/15th and 21st/22nd June. There is no cost involved for taking part, nor is there any cost for the range of IMW Awards. For more information see <http://www.ukradioamateur.co.uk/imw/>



Win a 2m/70cm Handheld!

Baofeng UV5-R donated by Shannon Basin Radio Club

The standard repeater shift on 2m is (A) 1.6 (B) 1.0 (C) 0.6 MHz?
Send callsign/EI number and your name with the answer to the question to ei-news@irts.ie, subject "Competition" by 2359UTC on Monday 17 March 2014.
Prize will be presented at IRTS AGM in Galway on Sunday 23 March

Entries open to IRTS members on EiNews distribution list at 28 February 2014

New European Ham Allocations

Radio Amateurs in Bulgaria have been given access to new bands: 472-479 KHz, 5250-5450 KHz and 70.0-70.5 MHz. In addition, 160m has been extended to 2.0 MHz. The bands are allocated on a secondary basis. Meanwhile, at opposite ends of the spectrum, Polish Amateurs have been given access to 472-479 KHz and 122.250-123.00 GHz also on a secondary basis.

Rallies & Events



IRTS AGM Weekend from Saturday 22nd March to Sunday 23rd March is hosted by Galway VHF Group at the Galway Bay Hotel, Salthill. Annual Dinner on Saturday night. Rally on Sunday morning

and AGM on Sunday afternoon. See [AGM](#) for further information.

Limerick Radio Club Rally, Sunday 9th March at the Radisson Hotel, Ennis Road, Limerick. Doors open 11am. The usual traders will be present. Bring & Buy tables are available and will be allocated on a first-come basis. Contact Simon Kenny EI7ALB at 087 285 8884 or see www.limerickradioclub.ie



The 5MHz Newsletter

The Winter 2013/14 Edition -09 of *The 5MHz Newsletter* is now available. As well as the latest news there is an article on the Supremacy of 5 MHz as a communication bridge, Beacon spot, a new webSDR on 60m and an update of the *Worldwide 5MHz Amateur Allocations Chart* - now with a total of 31 countries. See the latest *5 MHz Newsletter* at <http://tinyurl.com/o26huzb>

Best Ham & SW Mobile phone apps



It should come as no surprise that in a world where we are rapidly replacing home computing with mobile computing, radio hobbies are “app-ly” supported in the mobile realm. Check out the extensive list of Ham Radio apps at <http://wp.me/pn3uc-2cL>

SWL: Broadcast

Diary Date:

Please note that **Sunday 30th March 2014** is the start of the A-14 schedule period. Clocks change to summer time in Europe. Many international broadcasters change their schedules on this date.

Sales & Wants

For Sale:

Yaesu FT-847 with Auto ATU.
AOR 5000 with Analogue descrambler and AS5000 antenna switch. Bearcat 800XLT.
WIN radio G305 with MPT1372 and P25
Kinetic SBS-1-ER with antenna and coax.
Ring 086 303 2705

For Sale:

AL-80B 1KW Ameritron Amplifier
Mint condition. Works all bands 100%.
Original packaging and manuals.
Price on request.
Contact Eoin at 086 600 9110

Wanted:

HF Linear for parts/repair. Any condition.
Have you an old FL2100z - TL922A - SB220 - Heatherlite or any other that is unwanted or not working? Will arrange collection.
Contact David EI5KG at 087 242 5643 or ei5kgs@gmail.com

Contests – March 2014

Information from : www.hornucopia.com/contestcal/weeklycont.php : www.rsgbcc.org/hf/
01 0000z, 48 hours – ARRL DX, SSB: send Power, log 2-character State: work W/VE only.
08 1800z, 14 hours – Tesla Memorial 80m, CW: exchange Serial and 4-character Locator, 1pt/km.
12 2000z, 90 mins – RSGB 80m, CW: exchange Serials: work UK only.
15 1200z, 24 hours – Russian DX, CW/SSB: exchange Serials, or 2-character District from Russia.
20 2000z, 90 mins – RSGB 80m, SSB: exchange Serials: work UK only.
29 0000z, 48 hours – CQ WPX, SSB: exchange Serials: each prefix is a multiplier.
SD by EI5DI – free logging software for CW/SSB contests from www.ei5di.com